

MEDICAID FACTSHEET

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Rx Drug Expenditures as %
of Total Hosp/Med Exp:
SFY98: 16.12%
SFY99: 18.06%
SFY00: 19.68%
SFY01: 19.71%
SFY02: 17.76%

Three prescriptions per recipient per month (extensions possible); family planning items do not count against limit. No limit for children under 21 (EPSDT) and certified nursing home residents.

**757 Participating Pharmacies available
to Medicaid recipients in SFY 02.**

Medicaid Drug Rebate Program created by OBRA, 1990 - law requires that Medicaid reimburse only for drugs manufactured by pharmaceutical companies that have signed rebate agreements. Approximately 670 drug companies participate. The Rebate Program gives Medicaid the equivalent of large volume purchasing advantages.

